

## Israel no longer pressing for terrorist pullback from border

**By HIRSH GOODMAN**  
Post Military Correspondent

Defence officials last night stressed that the object of the cease-fire agreement reached on Monday between the warring factions in southern Lebanon was intended primarily to bring tranquillity to the region, and not to secure the retreat of terrorists from the border.

They were reacting to reports from Lebanon that as of late last night there had been no movement by the terrorists from their positions in the north.

On Sunday night, when details of the Israeli sponsored cease-fire became public, a retreat by the terrorists in the south to a line 10 to 15 kilometres from the border was seen as one of the key points of the agreement.

Israel is apparently determined to consider lengths not to jeopardize the agreement. Since it went into effect at 10 o'clock on Monday morning, Katyusha rockets have been fired from the south, and a small, and a Rosh Hanukra, injuring 10 in Kiryat Shmona. In all four cases, Israel refrained from returning fire — a departure from previous practice.

Israel officials were careful last night to point out that Israel intends to abide by the terms of the cease-fire, despite what they termed "intimidation" by terrorists — supposedly from the Rejection Front.

Israel forces, including Centurion tanks and infantry which had been stationed near Christian villages in the south since last Friday, when the Christians launched their attack on a strategic hill near the terrorist stronghold of Kibyam, were pulled out on Monday morning. Since then there has been no Israeli involvement whatsoever in Southern Lebanon.

Observers point out, however, that the IDF and Israel defence policymakers are walking on thin ice at this stage, and will be faced with a serious dilemma if the terrorists continue to shell civilian targets in Israel.

The cease-fire was promoted by Israel through the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv and Beirut, and is considered a feather in the cap of Defence Minister Ezer Weizman, who handled the negotiations.

But if the shelling persists, it is highly doubtful whether Israel will be able to maintain a low profile and continue a policy of non-involvement.

It is believed that Israel yesterday exerted considerable pressure on the Syrians, via the U.S., to restrain the terrorists, who could drag Israel into another fray which might have serious repercussions on the stability achieved in the south.

The ten attacks by terrorists from Lebanese territory in the past week have led to cancellations of hotel bookings in the north, and local councils have appealed to the government to take stringent action against the terrorists.

Military sources queried last night could not say that there were any signs of the terrorists making a move to leave their positions in either the central or northern sectors of the border zone.

They indicated that Israel has serious doubts as to whether the Lebanese at this stage are capable of fielding the 1,200 regular troops into the south to maintain the peace there, as was envisioned by the cease-fire agreement. For this reason Israel, for the time being, will in all probability not press for a terrorist retreat and will be content with a simple maintenance of the cease-fire.



Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon with Gush Emunim leaders. (Sunphot, Herashkovits)

## Gush leaders press Begin as settlers ready to move

**By JOSHUA BRILLIANT**  
Post Political Reporter

Last minute attempts to prevent a unilateral Gush Emunim bid to settle at eleven sites throughout Judea and Samaria continued past midnight last night.

By press time, the Gush Emunim leaders were still at the home of Prime Minister Menachem Begin seeking a solution.

They had gone to Begin's home at 10:20 p.m. after the chairman of the Ministerial Committee on Settlements, Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon, went to their headquarters in Ramat Bahol in Jerusalem to discuss the situation.

Israel Radio reported at 11 p.m. that Sharon and the Gush Emunim leaders had drafted an agreement which said they would settle in new

and existing settlements within two months and that at least two groups will settle within a week in sites which are not army camps.

Begin and Sharon met the Gush Emunim leaders on the eve of the holiday.

Begin apparently sought to convince the would-be settlers to trust the government to establish new settlements, but to leave the timing to Sharon's Ministerial Committee.

One of the proposals apparently put forward was that the Emunim settlements be established under the guise of "he'ahuyot" (military settlements).

Israel Television reported last night that Begin had suggested that the settlers wear army uniforms. Gush Emunim spokesman Zvi (Continued on page 2, col. 5)

## Treasury pays Gush IL6m.

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**

The Treasury has allocated IL6m. to Gush Emunim to cover debts incurred by the movement in the establishment of its settlement at Alon Moreh (Kaddum).

Treasury sources deny, however, that the money was drawn from the budget, since there is no legal provision for such an allocation. The exact source of the funding remains unclear.

Previous payments for settlements have come through the World Zionist Organisation. But Aryeh Dulin, Jewish Agency Treasurer, said the Gush Emunim money was not paid through the Agency, and Shimon

Raviv, of the WZO's settlement department, also denied that the payment had come through his department.

The payment in effect finances settlement activities retroactively, and before their official approval by the government. Gush Emunim has further financial demands in connection with Ofrah and Ma'aleh Edumim.

Nattali Feder MK (Mapam) last night cabled the Finance Minister and the chairman of the Knesset Finance Committee, Shlomo Lorincz, to protest the payment. He demanded a meeting of the Finance Committee to clarify who had approved this allocation and how.

## 4 S. African blacks killed in widespread rioting

**JOHANNESBURG (UPI).** — A 17-year-old boy was shot dead while police fought with rampaging youths who overturned a police vehicle and attempted to set fire to buildings near King Williamstown less than 24 hours after former student leader Steve Biko was buried. In Soweto, a guerrilla died in a blazing gun battle, police said.

The deaths bring to four the number of persons killed in the last 24 hours after 15,000 persons paid final respects to the 30-year-old Biko, who died in police custody two weeks ago.

Angry African youths on Sunday stoned to death two black policemen near East London, 800 km. south of Johannesburg, as the crowd of about 1,200 returned from the Biko funeral.

Early on Monday, police fired canisters of teargas into a crowd assembled in Ginsberg, Biko's home area, after the crowd of youths threw stones at houses, said Piet Smal, divisional commissioner of East London police.

In the neighbouring black township of Dimbaza, where Ginsberg died, police reacted swiftly to a report that youths had set fire to the

offices of the Eastern Cape Bantu (black) administration board and were stoning factories in the area.

Police said they arrived in time to stop the crowd from burning the factories, but they had to shoot into the crowd.

The dead boy was later identified as Wiseman Tyakuma, 17, a pupil at Kuyasa high school in Dimbaza township.

Security police in Soweto the huge township 24 km. southwest of Johannesburg, surrounded a house in the Dobsonville district on a report of alleged terrorist activity at the location, a police official said on Monday.

Gen. Gert Prinsloo, commander of South African police and security men were greeted with blasts from an automatic weapon. Wounded in the battle were two white policemen, and the black occupant of the house where the gunfire came from was killed by police. Maj. Jan Burger, who was wounded in the left shoulder and the right hip in the shooting, was reported to be in "satisfactory condition." The incidents of the last 24 hours are the most serious outbreaks of violence since June 1976, when nine persons died in bloody riots in Uitenhage black townships.

## Carter and Gromyko in new Salt talks

**UNITED NATIONS (UPI).** — Secretary of State Cyrus Vance yesterday cancelled private UN talks to fly to Washington for a hastily called meeting between President Jimmy Carter and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko on arms limitation.

State Department press spokesman Hoddin Carter said the meeting had been arranged at the

Soviet Union's request, presumably because they had a new proposal to make.

Earlier, after a meeting with Portugal's Foreign Minister Jose de Medeiros-Serreira, the State Department issued a statement saying the two countries had agreed "to conclude negotiations... extending the agreement by which the U.S. is granted facilities at the Lajes base" in the Azores.

## \$223m. U.S. aid for Egypt development projects

**CAIRO (AP).** — Egypt and the U.S. began signing a series of 10 agreements yesterday that will provide \$223m. for projects that include building a power plant near the Suez Canal, water treatment in Cairo and grain storage facilities in Alexandria.

The grants and long-term loans are part of \$810.1m. in non-military U.S. aid given to Egypt in 1977. U.S. Agency for International Development (AID) officials, who administer most of the total, say the aid is about the same for Israel.

Three agreements were signed yesterday.

One is a grant of \$8m. for a hydrographic study of the entrances to the Suez Canal. AID officials say it will update navigational charts, some of which are more than 100 years old.

A second agreement consists of a

\$36m. loan to dredge irrigation canals to clear them of weeds and sludge. U.S. officials say one side effect will be elimination of molluscs which carry a parasite that causes bilharzia, a debilitating disease that attacks the liver and afflicts nearly half the population, especially the peasants.

Under a third agreement, an \$11m. loan would provide irrigation pumps to replace 17 worn-out mechanical pumps and 17 others that are operated by camels, water buffalo or humans.

Other agreements to be signed by the end of the fiscal year on Friday will provide \$42m. in loans for grain storage facilities, \$13m. in grants to reconstruct a salt plant destroyed in the 1967 war, \$30m. to provide 40,000 Cairo slum dwellers with running water and rehabilitate a water treatment plant, \$15m. in loans to restore

## Vance rejects Israel stand on Geneva

**By WOLF BLITZER**  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

**WASHINGTON.** — The U.S. has rejected conditions attached by Israel to the U.S. proposal for a pan-Arab delegation at the Geneva Middle East peace conference.

This became clear during Secretary of State Cyrus Vance's two-and-a-half hour meeting with Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan on Monday night in New York. Dayan and Vance failed to resolve key differences in their governments' understanding of the role of a united Arab delegation at Geneva and the participation of low-level members of the PLO.

Vance confirmed before his meeting with Dayan that the U.S. and Israel still disagreed over "conditions" Jerusalem had attached to its recent agreement to allow Palestinian representation in a pan-Arab delegation. He made it clear the "conditions" involved Israel's rejection of any member of the PLO within an Arab delegation.

would put the Arabs "on the spot" with respect to their willingness to forgo a formal role for the PLO at Geneva.

The Americans had hoped to leave several of the more sensitive aspects of the U.S.-backed formula — specifically the function of the unified Arab delegation and the role of the PLO — deliberately ambiguous so that everyone could "live with it."

But Israel's statement on Sunday clearly made the point that the pan-Arab delegation would merely be ceremonial and that Israel would negotiate only on a bilateral, state-to-state basis. The Americans had hoped that this would be left unaided.

In addition, Israel pointed out that no known members of the PLO could be included.

The U.S. position is that low-level members of the PLO should be allowed to attend if the organization accepted UN Security Council Resolution 242.

Yesterday, State Department spokesman Hoddin Carter insisted that a Geneva conference will indeed be held before the end of this year. But other officials were not that optimistic.

Another more substantive problem between Israel and the U.S. has also emerged. Vance said on Monday that the U.S. favours self-determination for the Palestinian people. He did not elaborate.

On Sunday, however, Dayan specifically stated on CBS's "Face the Nation" that Israel opposes "self-determination" and "an independent state" for the Palestinians. He repeated his belief that Israel should sit down with Jordan and West Bank Palestinians to work out a functional arrangement extending limited autonomy to the West Bank, while retaining security control of the region.

The Americans are known to have raised once again with Dayan their proposal for a West Bank trusteeship. (Continued on page 2, col. 2)

## J'lem defends accuracy of Geneva statement

**By DAVID LANDAU**  
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

An uncomfortable feeling of looming discord with Washington descended on Jerusalem last night following Secretary of State Vance's disavowal of the Cabinet statement on Sunday which had purported to accept America's latest Geneva proposals.

Vance officials here acknowledged, was in effect challenging the accuracy — or worse, the good faith — of the Israeli statement.

The Secretary, it is understood, gave even stronger and more direct expression to America's displeasure at Israel's behaviour during his meeting with Foreign Minister Dayan in New York on Monday night.

represent the American proposal as explained by President Jimmy Carter to Dayan in Washington on September 19, and as transmitted by Dayan by cable to Jerusalem.

The Cabinet statement said: "The Cabinet has authorised the Foreign Minister to inform the President of the United States that the Israeli Government accepts the President's proposal on the conditions relating to the convocation of a further session of the Geneva Conference. These are:

A. A united delegation representing all the Arab states participating in the Geneva Conference will take part in the opening ceremonial session.

B. Arabs of Eretz Israel, who are not known members of the "PLO" may participate in this united delegation. Palestinian Arabs will not participate in the opening session. (Continued on page 2, col. 3)

## Arabs blast agreement as political manoeuvre

**Jerusalem Post Staff**

Neighbouring Arab governments have officially dismissed as a political stunt the Israel Cabinet's agreement to a united Arab delegation at the opening session of a resumed Geneva Middle East peace conference.

The Arabs argued that Israel has no right to determine the makeup of the representation once she agreed to sitting with a united Arab delegation. They further argued that the Palestine Liberation Organization, which was excluded by Israel, should be represented among the Palestinians in the Arab delegation — that is, as long as the PLO is denied an independent seat.

Israel on Sunday approved the American proposal that a united Arab delegation, including Palestinians who are not known as members of the PLO, attend a ceremonial reopening at Geneva which would involve no discussion of substance. Issues of substance would be taken up by the Arabs upon their subsequent splitting into separate government splinter groups, with the Palestinians included in the Jordanian delegation.

Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy, now spearheading Arab diplomatic activity in New York, said Israel's agreement had no real meaning since she still excluded the PLO. He said a peace conference could not be resumed without the participation of the PLO. "The Israeli decision does not touch the

real issue. It was done in a way to give the false impression that it corresponded to American proposals for a resumption of the conference," he noted.

Fahmy said that if the projected single Arab delegation does not include the PLO, "it will be a non-starter."

Cairo newspapers, meanwhile, reported yesterday that the Egyptian government intended to reject Israel's approach "in its entirety." The papers indicated that the Arabs would rather go to Geneva in independent delegations including one representing the PLO.

Syria also said that it would reject the projected united Arab delegation as long as it falls short of full Palestinian representation. The state-controlled "Tishrin" newspaper said that "Washington's call for a Palestinian representation in one form or another is an encouraging sign... but such an acknowledgement falls short of allowing the PLO to participate on an equal footing like all delegation members."

A government spokesman in Jordan said his country favoured a single Arab delegation, providing it ensured equal participation by all parties involved in the conflict. The spokesman said his government opposed splitting such a delegation into government blocs, noting that the Arab delegation should be divided into working groups dealing with the various issues of substance. (See UN, page 5)



An Israeli tank returns from Lebanon at the Good Fence after the cease-fire went into effect on Monday morning. (Zvi Rogor)

## Weizman says Israel won't allow situation to deteriorate again

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
and Kibm

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman today toured the northern border and expressed the hope that the cease-fire that went into effect on Monday morning would pave the way towards an overall settlement in Southern Lebanon.

Weizman was accompanied by Deputy Minister Mordechai Zippori, Chief of Staff Mordechai Aluf Rafael Eitan, Chief of the Israel Staff Branch, and Aluf for Ben-Gali, O.C. Northern Command.

Defence Minister made his

statement at Metulla during talks with the leaders of the Christian forces in Southern Lebanon, Major Saad Haddad and Major Sami Shidiak. The Christian officers expressed their apprehension that the cease-fire would be exploited by the terrorists to improve their position.

Weizman said that Israel would not allow the situation in Southern Lebanon to deteriorate again, and would make the necessary efforts to preserve quiet in the area. This was essential both for the security of the Israeli settlements on the northern border and of the Christian villages on the other side.

He expressed the hope that it would be possible to repair the damage done during the war before the onset of winter.

The evacuation of Southern Lebanon by Israeli forces after the cease-fire agreement went into effect was followed by a relatively

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## Begin greets Panama leader in Spanish



**Panamanian head of state Brig. Gen. Omar Torrijos is greeted last night at Ben-Gurion Airport by Prime Minister Menachem Begin.** (Yisraeli)

Panama's head of state Brig. Gen. Omar Torrijos, arrived at Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday on a two-day official visit.

He was met by Prime Minister Menachem Begin who, to the satisfaction of the several Latin American diplomats present at the airport, greeted the visiting general in fluent Castilian Spanish.

Begin praised the friendly relations that have existed between the two countries ever since the establishment of the state, and expressed the hope that Torrijos would be able to learn at first hand of Israel's aspirations for peace and liberty.

Torrijos also hoped that his visit would acquaint him with Israel's problems, noting wryly that while both Israel and Panama featured prominently in the news, "the truth could not be learnt from newspapers."

The visiting head of state, who was accompanied by his Foreign Minister, his Presidential Affairs Minister and his Agriculture Minister, was greeted by Foreign Ministry Director-General Ephraim Evron and members of the Ministry's Latin America Department, as well as ministers and other senior officials. (Rim)

## Lebanese troops due set up buffer zone

**Jerusalem Post Staff**  
and Agencies

Reports from Beirut last night said a Lebanese regular troops would ultimately take over all positions once held by the private Christian militias, which were supported by Israel, and those controlled by the Palestinian-terrorist forces.

It was not clear whether these troops merely intended to disarm the militias or to press for the withdrawal of the terrorists from Southern Lebanon.

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Colan	24/15	23/15	25
Nahariya	22/15	21/15	25
Safad	22/15	21/15	24
Haifa Port	22/15	21/15	25
Therias	22/15	21/15	25
Nazareth	22/15	21/15	25
Afula	22/15	21/15	25
Shomron	22/15	21/15	25
Tel Aviv	22/15	21/15	25
B-G Airport	22/15	21/15	25
Jericho	22/15	21/15	25
Gaza	22/15	21/15	25
Beersheba	22/15	21/15	25
Eilat	22/15	21/15	25
Tiran Straits	22/15	21/15	25

**Novelist Faure, 70**

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Lucie Faure, prolific novelist, supporter of Israel and wife of French National Assembly speaker Edgar Faure, died on Sunday night at the couple's country home near here.

Mme. Faure, who was 70, was born Lucie Meyer into a well-known Parisian Jewish family.

Lucie Faure founded the Institute of Slav studies at the University of Algiers and the French literary review, "La Nef," which she edited until her death. She was the author of seven novels and a book on a tour of China, which she made with her husband.

**A NEW DEPARTMENT** for the treatment of asthma and other respiratory problems was dedicated Sunday at the Roshan Centre for the Prevention of Lung Diseases in Ramat, Jerusalem. It was named for Dr. Tamara Schaul of Zurich, who started the fund which financed the department.

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is no more

His Rosen and family

The funeral will leave from Sanhedria today, Wednesday, 28 September 1977, at 11 a.m., for the Mount of Olives.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our dear father and grandfather

**Leon (Yehuda) Chemomorsky**

Harbin, China

The funeral will leave today Wednesday, September 28, 1977, at 3 p.m. from the home of the deceased, 96 Rehov Krintzi, Ramat Gan, for the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery. A bus will be available.

The Bereaved Family

With deep grief, we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father and grandfather

**Benjamin Vilkomerson**

The funeral will take place at 1 p.m. today, Wednesday, September 28, 1977 at Kibbutz Tirat Zvi.

Wife — Violet  
Daughter — Ruth and Shlomo Yerav,  
Kibbutz Tirat Zvi  
Son — David and Barbara Vilkomerson,  
Princeton, New Jersey  
and grandchildren

With deep sorrow, we announce the death of our dear

**Moshe Yinnon (Indelman)**

Editor of "Haynt," Warsaw; Senior Editor, Mossad Bialik, Jerusalem and Editor of "Hadoar," New York City; who passed away at Miami, Florida on Saturday, September 24, 1977.

The funeral took place on September 25, 1977.

His wife — Helene  
Daughter — Miriam Kreiter and grandsons  
Gili and Eshel  
His brother and all members of the family in the United States and Israel.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our dear aunt

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**Harold J. Goldenberg**

a devoted member of the Institute's Board of Governors and extends its profound condolences to the family.

# Gromyko: Israel main obstacle to reconvening talks in Geneva

**UNITED NATIONS.** — Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko yesterday told the UN General Assembly that his country favours the early reconvening of the Geneva Middle East peace conference with the participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization. He charged that Israel's policies are the main obstacle toward that goal.

Japan's Foreign Minister Ichiro Hatoyama also called for including the PLO in peace talks, but he gave self-determination for the Palestinians equal weight with continued independence for Israel.

The two foreign ministers spoke on the second day of general debate in which the assembled diplomats outline the foreign policies of their respective governments.

Gromyko, in calling Israel the principal stumbling block, said that "it appears the Israeli statesmen would not abandon their plans for expansion at the expense of other countries and peoples."

He said he shared the Israeli view that "there should be bilateral discussions" at Geneva between the

Israelis and individual Arab delegations, "but as to the other conditions... there are differences between us." However, he did not specify what the differences were.

Gromyko said that "serious apprehensions are aroused by the words and deeds of the leadership of Israel. They are well known. A great deal of inflammable material has been accumulated in the Middle East. In the event of another outbreak of hostilities, no one would be able to predict its outcome."

Gromyko, however, devoted comparatively little time to what has become the major issue at the new session of the Assembly — the quest for peace in the Middle East and a reconvening of the talks in Geneva.

According to the Japanese Foreign Minister, "the basis for attaining peace in the Middle East lies in Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338, plus the realization of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people under the charter of the UN, particularly their right to self-determination."

Hatoyama declared, "The acqui-

tion and occupation of territories by force cannot be allowed, and accordingly, Israeli armed forces should be withdrawn from all the territories occupied in the 1967 war."

"On the other hand, the political independence and territorial integrity of all the countries concerned, including Israel, should be guaranteed," he said.

Hatoyama termed Israel's measures on settlements on the West Bank "most regrettable" and urged it to "refrain from any measures which may alter the status quo."

On Monday, Belgian Foreign Minister Henri Simonet, speaking for the European Economic Community, said that representatives of all involved parties, including the Palestinians, must participate in Middle East negotiations.

In the context of an overall settlement, Simonet said, "Israel must be ready to recognize the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people. Equally, the Arab side must be ready to recognize the right of Israel to live in peace within secure and recognized borders." (AP, JTA,

## Turkey may ban Mecca pilgrimage due to cholera

**BEIRUT (AP).** — Turkish health officials said yesterday they were considering a ban on the annual pilgrimage to Mecca as new cholera cases continued to be reported in the Middle East.

Turkey's Supreme Health Council is expected to outlaw Turkish Muslims from travelling to the holy city of Islam in Saudi Arabia because of the cholera outbreak. But some informed sources said this was mostly a pretext by the government to prevent pilgrims from spending cherished hard currency outside the country.

Syria reported 19 new cases over the past 24 hours, bringing the official count for three months to 2,567 cases with 73 deaths.

Kuwait revealed seven new cholera cases yesterday.

## U.S. rejects Geneva stand

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which would end with a plebiscite allowing the Palestinian Arabs to determine their own political future. Israel rejects this scheme.

On the question of Resolution 242, Vance is said to have reassured Dayan on Monday that the U.S. will not go along with any attempt in the Security Council either to change or to replace it. Israel had feared recently that the U.S. position on this issue was eroding. That led Dayan to bring him to the CBS interview on Sunday the text of the U.S. commitment to Israel in the September 1975 U.S.-Israeli Memorandum of Understanding following the first Sinai disengagement accord with Egypt, which noted that the U.S. would veto against any effort to change the key resolution. He read from the text during the interview.

U.S. officials believe that Israel's initial acceptance of a pan-Arab

## Weizman in North

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quiet day in the area yesterday.

Nevertheless, sporadic shelling in the centre sector around the village of Ein El resulted in the death of one Lebanese and the wounding of three. A number of shells were also fired at Marjayoun, north of Metulla, and some machinegun bursts came from Beaufort Castle, across the Litani River, which is a terrorist stronghold.

The evacuation was completed around 11 a.m. when Major Haddad, accompanied by an IDF officer, arrived at the Good Fence behind a column of Israeli tanks and armoured personnel carriers.

Haddad and the Israeli officer got out of their jeeps, exchanged salutes,



Defence Minister Ezer Weizman (second from right) visited the northern border yesterday, accompanied by Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur (right). At Metulla they met with Lebanese Christian officers, Major Saad Haddad (left) and Major Sami Shidiak.

## Gush leaders press

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Slonim refused to comment on the television report, but another source told The Jerusalem Post that Gush Emunim members had rejected the proposal.

In another step to stop the movement from settling unilaterally, Begin and Sharon called on Rabbi Zvi Yehuda Kook, Gush Emunim's mentor. A source close to the Prime Minister reported that Rabbi Kook "blessed" Begin and Sharon.

Another source said the rabbi had urged them to use his influence with Gush Emunim against settlement.

The Gush Emunim plan calls for the establishment of 11 settlements throughout Judea and Samaria, as follows:

1. DOTAN — Some 120 people, including 30 families mostly from Galilee and Afula, want to settle near the road "Tzfat-Haifa" in the "shomron" temporary quarters in the Dotan camp or the abandoned police station at Samir.
2. SHOMRON — This group wants to settle south of the Dotan group, living temporarily at Camp Shomron or the abandoned railway station near Sebastia. The 150 members include 40 families. The Elon Moreh group, which now lives in Camp Kadum, has staged several settlement bids at the abandoned railway station.
3. TIRZAH — Some 180 people, including 50 families, asked to settle near the Nabulus-Damascus road and live temporarily at Camp Yosef.
4. KARNET SHOMRON — Near the Kalkiya Nabulus road, west of Kadum. Gush Emunim last year organized a one-day march there in support of the 800 would-be settlers, including 75 families.
5. TIMANET HERES — Some 300 families, including 70 families of employees of military industries and of Soviet immigrants, want to live there, east of Pe'erim.
6. SEILO — The students of a yeshiva and 80 people, including 20 families, asked to settle at Shilo, halfway between Ramallah and Nabulus.
7. NESI SALAH — North west of Ramallah. Some 300 people, including 100 families, are divided into

Photo Brette

31 Rehov Hechalutz, Haifa

## Quiet Succot in Galilee after shelling

**Jerusalem Post Staff**

Residents of the Galilee in quiet first day of Succot with the exception of a R. bombardment of Rosh Ha'ayin the eve of the holiday.

Throughout the upper Galilee were fewer tourists and than usual — probably the recent Karyusha bomb. But residents of Kiryat packed the town's synagogues were happy to hear that it was a "quiet" day.

Wounded in a Karyusha attack on the eve of Succot, a 1 hospital and was out of danger. The Lower Galilee, decorated Succot were seen Nazareth and in moshavim Afula area. The "Peace" erected annually by the municipality is expected thousands of people today, mayor and local rabbis' donors. The Succot will be in the styles of various Jewish communities.

With Succot giving all the secret urge for interior defence to exercise their residents of the Ein Hc village opened their arms with a pavilion offering entry their hands at palating. This village the children will be visited the fire brushes, crayons, paint and agnition without fear of or teachers. Another innopavilion offering art looks at a "hefty discom-

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## LEBANESE TROOPS

(Continued from page one)

"We also shall allow no one to prevent us from striking at the Israeli enemy or from being in areas where we can strike from," the spokesman said.

"Let Arafat flirt in public with the U.S. as much as he wants. This may be diplomacy, but as far as the Rejection Front is concerned, we shall not go along either in the South or in the Middle East as a whole," said a radical spokesman. The PFLP and its Iraqi and Libyan-supported allies of the so-called Rejection Front, which opposes any Middle East political settlement, have an estimated 300 men, as compared with Arafat's 5,000 supporters in Southern Lebanon. Observers in Beirut expressed the belief that Arafat's Patah mainstream organization could bring the radical terrorists into line. Arafat was earlier reported to have agreed to all terms of the new cease-fire, including one calling for the terrorists' pullback from the border area to a line beyond the Litani river. Such a line was set by Israel as the limit to the advance of

Syrian "peace-keepers" stationed in Lebanon.

Lebanon's Defence Minister, Fuad Butrus declined to discuss the cease-fire publicly. But he told them they positive development, stressed that all parties veng the truce.

The U.S. State Department satisfaction c. plementation of the Southern Lebanon gratified that the situation "down," said spokesman. He added that the information received State Department "I are out" of Southern now that the cease-fire effect.

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## Man held in false Soviet Army claim

**TEL AVIV (Itim).** — A young man was remanded for 10 days on Monday by order of a magistrate here on suspicion of an unproved "serious offence" and of giving a false statement to an army officer in which he claimed that he had served in the Soviet Red Army.

The police representative claimed that by giving the allegedly false statement, Yehuda Ya'acovov, 24,

## Fraud suspect remanded

**HAIFA (Itim).** — A local insurance agent who skipped the country three years ago after running up large debts was remanded for six days by the Magistrate's Court here on Monday on suspicion of fraud.

Sandy David has returned to Israel of his own free will, and immediately gave himself up to police at Ben Gurion Airport. He was declared a fugitive from justice soon after he left the country in 1974, when he was suspected of obtaining large sums of money by forging documents, and of writing uncovered cheques.

## Crime briefs

**GRENADE SUSPECT** — Ezra Shalom, suspected by police of complicity in throwing a grenade into a Kiryat Ono cafe on Monday was ordered held in custody for 15 days by a Tel Aviv magistrate. Police said the grenade attack came as revenge against the owner of the cafe, who had given the police a statement about criminal activities.

**JUMP TO BREAK** — A 15-year-old boy broke his leg in a leap from the second floor of the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court building on Monday after escaping from his police escort. The boy had been brought to court on suspicion of possessing a stolen car. The court ruled that he had to pay a \$1,000 fine or be imprisoned for 50 days. After he was taken out of the court chambers the boy suddenly escaped and jumped out of the window. He was taken to the Danol Hospital.

## 'Aviation Week' reports

**By WOLF BLITZER**

**Jerusalem Post Correspondent**

**WASHINGTON.** — El Al has opened discussions with the Boeing Company for a new high-density aircraft for the early 1980's carrying up to 500 persons. "Aviation Week and Space Technology" reports in its current issue.

The magazine said that the aircraft would be a completely new design, involving advanced technology, and not a development of present 747 series.

According to the report, the aircraft originally was proposed by El Al as a medium-sized aircraft. But El Al as the second step in reducing long-haul air fares. Ben-Ari plans to resubmit El Al's holiday fare proposal at the International Air Transport Association's annual general meeting in Madrid in November, it said.

"Ben-Ari has discussed his proposal in recent meetings with a number of other air line presidents and believes there is a greater chance of its being adopted now than in 1973 when it was first proposed to IATA and rejected," the magazine said.

Under the fare proposal, seating capacity of most 747 aircraft would be increased to about 500 with only 16 seats on each aircraft allotted to first class and another 50 seats allotted to business class. Business class would be similar to the present second class, with some food and drink service.

The balance of the seats in the aircraft, under Ben-Ari's plan, would be sold for a holiday fare of about 17 percent beneath present trans-Atlantic coach class fares. Seating would be 10-abreast and there would be no food service. Passengers could buy

## Swimming records

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**

**TEL AVIV.** — Three new Israel records were set yesterday in the final day of the national swimming championships at the Wingate Institute. This makes 10 records established during the four-day meet.

The records were set in the men's 4 x 200 metres, won by Givat HaShalom; Women's 4 x 100 metres won by Bat Yam Hapoel; and Omot Erlich, also of Bat Yam Hapoel, in the 200 metre backstroke.

(See sports, page 5)

**NOTICE**

The Preparatory Committee for the Election of J. Rabbis hereby announces that the postponed Elections take place at 4 p.m. on Eshvat 13, 5738 (October 28), the Rabbi Yohanan Ben Zakai Synagogue in the Old Jerusalem.

In accordance with procedure, candidates may submit candidature not later than seven days prior to the elections and in conformation with the details contain previous notice of Tamuz 21, 5737 (July 8, 1977).

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## Terms of chief rabbis may be extended year

By JUDY SIEGEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Religious Affairs Minister Aharon Abuhatzra sent letters to the chief rabbinate council and the government on Monday, asking them to nominate a committee to prepare new elections for the chief rabbis. Meanwhile, the Minister intends to ask the Knesset for legislation that would prolong the current chief rabbis' term for another year.

Abuhatzra's action follows a legal opinion by Attorney-General Aharon Barak last week that the Minister cannot postpone the elections without the appropriate Knesset legislation. Barak ruled that without a legal extension of the rabbis' five-year terms, they may not be considered chief rabbis and their salaries could be withheld.

Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef has demanded repeatedly that the Religious Affairs Ministry speed preparations and hold the elections on time. His Ashkenazi counterpart, Rabbi Shlomo Goren, has publicly taken no position, but he is known to favour a considerable delay, apparently because he is worried about competition from his prominent Ashkenazi rabbis. A while ago, the National

Religious Party, of which Abuhatzra is a member, agreed that it would push for a one-year postponement of elections.

Asked to comment on why Abuhatzra has not tried to arrange the elections as close as possible to their originally scheduled date next month, the ministry spokesman said the Minister "has been in office for only a few months. He has to study the problem." After receiving Barak's legal opinion, he continued, the Minister decided to ask for an extension of their chief rabbis' terms.

Conceding that setting up an elections committee and an electoral college should take "about six months," the spokesman said the extra time could come in handy. "Why ask for more legislation later if court cases or other problems cause more delays?" he asked.

Rabbinical circles who demand prompt elections point to the stagnation in a number of religious courts around the country in the past few years because of what they call an ineffectual chief rabbinate council. Rabbi Yosef has refused to attend its sessions for nearly three years because, he claims, the members (half of them Sephardi, half of them Ashkenazi, and all duly elected) are controlled by Rabbi Goren.

## Youth says police pressure made him lie in matric case

EL AVIV (Itim). — A prosecution team in one of the trials related to the theft and sale of matriculation exams on Monday repudiated earlier statements to the police that he had threatened not to testify in court. He now says he had signed statements at the instigation of police interrogators.

The witness, a minor, was testifying in the District Court in trial of Yehoshua Weingarten, who is charged with intimidating witnesses so that they would not testify against his twin brother Alexander, who is accused together with other men of selling the exams to school pupils including the witness.

The minor's statements to the police had said that he had been extorted by Yehoshua Weingarten to testify against his brother.

however, the witness said the statements included things he had not said at all, and that he had not read one of the two statements before signing it. He had signed the statements at the instigation of police interrogators and from fear that he himself would be charged with buying two exams from Yitzhak Fein — Alexander Weingarten's alleged partner in the exams racket.

At the request of the prosecution the minor was declared a hostile witness. Answering the defense attorney's questions about the police, the witness said: "I am scared to testify freely for fear that the police will harm me. The moment one has a criminal record (for buying exams) it harms one."

After his testimony Judge Dov Levin denied a defense request to release Yehoshua Weingarten from jail where he is being held until the end of his trial.

## Black Hebrew 'tourists' sent back to United States

The last of the 25 American blacks who entered Israel as tourists on Monday were expelled from the country. Police at Ben-Gurion airport put them aboard an Alitalia jet to Rome en route to New York. They were in detention since they were tourists at all, but "Black Hebrews" who planned to join members of the sect already settled in Israel.

Three men in the group were arrested on Sunday, three women

and 10 children were flown out on Monday, and the remaining three women and six children were expelled yesterday.

A police van backed up to the gangway of the jetliner after the other passengers had boarded. Police jumped out and formed a path from the van to the gangway, blocking a possible escape.

Police prevented UPI correspondent Mathias Chazanov from trying to talk to the group, and tore up his police pass. (Itim, UPI)

## Private eye' held for complicity in smuggling of Bendel family

FA (Itim). — A private detective was arrested last week on suspicion of being involved in smuggling the Bendel family out of the country. He was also suspected of having files from the rabbinical court in Bendel allegedly paid \$7,000 to smuggle to Cyprus in a fishing boat a month ago together with her husband and one-year-old son. He did so to avoid a court fine possible arrest for failing to appear seven-year-old son to his mother on Monday requested an extension of the remand of the detective, Ya'acov Rogel, of Ramat Gan. They said that Rogel had appeared in the rabbinical court at the end of July, claimed to be a lawyer, and requested permission to make photocopies from four files. The files later disappeared and police suspect Rogel of having taken them.

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Equipment lies stockpiled at Ma'ale Adamim, in the Judean Desert east of Jerusalem, in preparation for the illegal settlement bid in Jericho, planned for today by some Gush Emunim members.

## Second NY diamond dealer 'disappears'

NEW YORK (AP). — Police trying to solve the disappearance of a young diamond broker with a fortune in gems were confronted with a new mystery on Monday when another diamond broker was reported missing.

Detectives searching for 25-year-old Pinchas Jaroslawicz, who vanished from the midtown diamond district last Tuesday, went to the office of another broker, Shlomo Tal, 30, after a friend was unable to locate him.

The officers found evidence of a break-in at Tal's 15th floor office in the diamond district, but said they were unable to determine immediately whether anything was missing from the office.

Tal's wife had asked a friend to stop by the office because her husband had not been seen since Sunday morning, police said. The friend called police after he found the office door open.

Detective James Oliver said the steel door to the office appeared to have been jimmied and burglar alarm wires had been cut. A window

on a wooden door inside the office was broken, he said.

Police did not immediately link the disappearance of Jaroslawicz with the apparent disappearance of Tal. But Oliver said he would consult with missing person squad detectives about reports in the diamond district that Tal may have been one of the last persons to see Jaroslawicz before he vanished.

Police have ruled out kidnapping in the Jaroslawicz disappearance, because no ransom demand has been reported. They added that because of his reputation, they did not believe he was carrying the gems he was believed to be carrying.

Last weekend, Jaroslawicz' Jewish colleagues assembled one of the most unusual search parties seen in this city, where almost 17,000 missing person reports are filed each year.

About 200 diamond dealers, all men and many wearing the beards, round hats and long black coats, spent three hours on Sunday combing the lofts, stairwells, basements, elevator shafts and alleys of the retail diamond district on 47th Street, close to the smart shops of Fifth

Avenue and the Broadway theatre district. They found no clues to Jaroslawicz' disappearance.

The dealers form a tight-knit, business-on-a-handshake community of largely Orthodox immigrant Jews or their descendants. None believes that "P.J." as Jaroslawicz was known to them, would have missed being with his wife, Rebecca, and daughter, Tova, 2, to observe Yom Kippur last Wednesday, had he been able to do so.

The diamond merchants and rabbis described the slight, medium-height, bespectacled P.J. as deeply religious and a good family man, who was last seen leaving the district's diamond dealers club about 5:30 last Tuesday afternoon.

The club serves as an exchange for brokers like P.J. and for buyers and sellers of the international diamond and jewelry industry here. Its vault is a repository for the valuables they often carry with them in leather pouches.

Police believe P.J. may have been carrying from \$100,000 to \$1m. in jewels when he disappeared.

## Educational TV for parents

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Educational Television will start a fortnightly experimental programme for parents. The aim, according to Ya'acov Lorberbaum, the director of educational television, is "to help parents become involved in both raising and educating their children."

The programmes will be transmitted fortnightly beginning October 16 on Sundays, at 8:30 p.m. on general television, and on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. on educational television. They will deal with areas such as the emotional and intellectual development of children and teaching techniques which can be used by parents.

The education and involvement of parents, a rapidly growing field in the U.S., is now being much more intensively examined in Israel.

## Wants 'France' in France

By JACK MAURICE  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — French businessman Simon Weintraub announced here last night that he will put in a bid shortly to buy the luxury liner "France" and turn it into a floating hotel and holiday centre off the Cote d'Azur.

Weintraub told The Jerusalem Post, "My aim is to keep the

"France" in France, not to send it to Israel or anywhere else. I know Samuel Rattin-Sharon says he has put in a bid, but mine is better — and it is backed by a bank guarantee."

Weintraub said he had been approached by Flatto but preferred to go ahead with his own scheme, which is to launch a Paris-based company with French bank support.

## Druse school plan opposed

By SUSAN HELLOS  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Druse conservative and leftist groups have both expressed sharp opposition to a proposal that Druse children be taught about their religious history and traditions in school. The suggestion was put forward by Salman Falah, adviser on Druse education in the Education Ministry.

Up to now, religious education has been the exclusive province of the Druse elders.

The Druse religious authorities argued last week on television that such instruction should not be in the hands of secular authorities. The Druse religion, they stressed, has secret aspects, and it might be harmed by over-exposure in state schools.

Now, groups of young, left-wing Druse are complaining that the plan would drive a wedge between us and the Arabs. "They maintain that the Druse, although different religiously from Moslems, are basically Arabs."

They claim that the Israeli authorities are deliberately encouraging Druse separatism for its own political ends.

The strong opposition makes it unlikely that the plan will be implemented in the near future.

## Hebrew, Arabic TV separated

Jerusalem Post Reporter

After a nine-hour meeting that ended at midnight on Sunday, the Broadcasting Authority's board of directors decided to separate Arabic programming on TV from the Hebrew section.

The board thus approved most of the recommendations proposed by the three-man committee it had appointed, which favoured the separation last week.

The Arabic section, which has for years complained of being inadequately funded and staffed, will be made responsible directly to the Authority director-general, and not to the TV director. Manpower and budget will be separate, but production, engineering, and administrative services will continue under the TV director. The proposal to separate the units has been vigorously opposed by TV news director Dan Shilon and TV director Arnon Zuckerman.

A tender will soon be published to fill the job of Arabic programming director. Whoever is chosen will become a member of the Authority executive.

CROSBY. — More than 2,300 fans packed the London Palladium and gave crooner Bing Crosby a standing ovation on Monday evening on the first night of his two-week show at the famed theatre.

## SUPER WHITE GETS LAUNDRY SUPER CLEAN



## Aid to tourist industry will be raised to IL400m.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Government assistance to the tourist industry will be raised from IL180m. to IL400m., because of the projected increase of additional hotel rooms from 1,000 to 3,000-4,000.

The Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Tourism has set up a special committee to study and simplify the procedures for approving new hotels. The committee will be headed by the ministry's director-general, Dr. Moshe Mandelbaum.

At a meeting last week with the hoteliers, Yigal Hurvitz, Minister of Commerce, Industry and Tourism, had warned against an over-hasty expansion of hotels. The new decision, therefore, seems to indicate a change in the ministry's views.

Hurvitz and the Hoteliers Association have decided to set up a special promotion fund of IL10m. for publicity and special campaigns promoting tourism. The fund will be financed half by the Government and half by hotels, travel agencies and others involved in the tourist industry.

## Labour Court forbids Egged workers strike

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The regional Labour Court here on Monday forbade Egged's employees from striking this morning as they had planned.

The court order is effective until 10.30 this morning when the claims of the employees will be heard in the Labour Court.

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**60 steelworkers fired**

ACRE. — Sixty workers of the Middle East Tube Company here have received discharge notices, with effect after the holidays. The 60 are all temporary workers, and labour council secretary Yitzhak Haxiza said the employment situation in the town was getting serious. The M.E. Tube Company employs over 500 and has run up a stock of steel pipes that sells slowly because of the recession in the building industry.



## Dutch in extensive hunt for W. German terrorists

THE HAGUE (AP). — Police searched yesterday for members of the West German "Red Army Faction" who are believed to be hiding in the Netherlands.

Police across the country were on special alert as the hunt was stepped up to include checks on highways and at some harbours.

Cars were stopped and their occupants searched by heavily-armed officers. Dutch police boats have also been reported active on the IJsselmeer — the former Zuider Zee — and helicopters are being used to coordinate the operation.

The nationwide search is being conducted on a basis of tips supplied to police, the Justice Ministry said. Photographs of some of the wanted Red Army members have been screened on Dutch television and printed in newspapers.

So far no new arrests have been made. People ordered out of their cars and searched have been sent on their way with apologies.

The search follows the arrest last week of Red Army gunman Knut Folkerts, now under heavy guard at a secret location in the Netherlands. Folkerts, 28, is expected to stand trial here for the murder of a Dutch policeman in a shootout last Thursday night in Utrecht. He is also

wanted in his own country in connection with the slaying of West German chief federal prosecutor Siegfried Buback.

Folkerts have been questioning about the whereabouts of West German industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer, who was kidnapped by the Red Army Faction in Cologne on September 5.

According to reliable Dutch informants, West German authorities have said Schleyer and his captors may no longer be in West Germany and may — among other possibilities — have come to the Netherlands.

The mass-circulation Amsterdam newspaper "De Telegraaf" reported on Monday it was believed that Schleyer was being held aboard a boat somewhere in the Netherlands. A top aide of West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt flew to Vietnam on Monday in an apparent bid to seek a host country willing to accept 11 terrorists whom the kidnappers of Schleyer want freed, according to reliable sources in Bonn.

Sources earlier said that the same aide, Hans-Juergen Wischniewski, flew to Algeria and Libya and later to South Yemen and Iraq on two similar missions during the past two weeks, apparently with no success.

## U.S. seen facing largest ever foreign trade deficit

WASHINGTON (AP). — Treasury Secretary Michael Blumenthal said yesterday the U.S. trade deficit this year could total as much as \$300 billion, higher than previously estimated and more than triple the worst previous trade deficit on record.

He said the deficit is "large and worrisome," but indicated he does not think it will further lower the value of the dollar.

Blumenthal had previously estimated the trade deficit at about \$200 billion, but he raised this to \$250-\$300 billion after Monday's announcement that America's trade was in deficit by a near record \$2.76 billion in August.

Blumenthal said in a news conference, given prior to addressing the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, that America's balance of payments deficit as measured by the trade-influenced current account will be \$16-\$20 billion, also an increase over previous estimates.

Addressing the IMF and World Bank meeting on Monday, President Jimmy Carter pledged he would do whatever was necessary to achieve strong non-inflationary growth of the

U.S. economy next year, and said he is firmly committed to expanded world trade, free of protectionist trade barriers.

He told the annual meeting that a strong world economy depended on how individual nations managed their domestic economies.

Speaking at the meeting yesterday, British Chancellor of the Exchequer Denis Healey said that his country's financial position "has been transformed in the last nine months."

Healey said "the most visible sign of the progress we have made lies in the strength of Sterling and the increase in our Official currency reserves, which now stand at record levels. We have recognized that some of these inflows are of a short-term nature and cannot be relied on as permanent."

"But they do demonstrate a revival of confidence in Britain. They show that others believe we are pursuing the right policies to deal with our major economic problems."

## Pakistan court warned Bhutto may be executed

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan (UPI). — A former attorney-general told the supreme court here on Monday he fears Pakistan's military government will execute deposed Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto after a hurried military trial.

The attorney, Yahya Bakhtiar, expressed his fear as the country's highest court heard a petition challenging the detention of Bhutto and 10 other top leaders of his Pakistan People's Party since September 17 on the order of army strongman Gen. Mohammed Zia-ul-Haq.

The petition was filed by Nusrat Bhutto, wife of the former premier, who is leading the PPP in the campaign for the October 18 election in the absence of her husband.

The government's top law officer, attorney-general Sharifuddin Pirzada, however, described the fears expressed by Bhutto's counsel as "unfounded."

The eight-judge court also observed it hopes that no such thing could ever happen.

## Japanese aircraft crashes in jungle

KUALA LUMPUR (AP). — At least 18 persons died when a Japan Airlines DC8 with 79 passengers aboard crashed in the jungles north of Kuala Lumpur in heavy thunderstorms last night. Rescue teams have picked up 43 survivors so far, airport officials said.

They said some of the survivors were taken back to the airport by helicopter and other means.

The plane was flight 715 from Bangkok to Kuala Lumpur and on to Singapore, the airport officials said.

## Spaghetti king kidnapped

BARI, Italy (UPI). — Four masked bandits kidnapped a major Italian spaghetti manufacturer on Monday in Italy's 58th abduction of the year.

Police said the bandits, wearing nylon stockings over their faces and carrying pistols and sub-machineguns, dragged 68-year-old Domenico Divella out of his car near the town of Nocera.

## Carter human rights policy rapped at UN Assembly

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — U.S. President Jimmy Carter's human rights campaign evoked sharp disagreements in the UN General Assembly yesterday, the first day of the Assembly's three-week general policy debate.

The lead-off speaker, Foreign Minister Antonio Azeredo da Silveira of Brazil, declared that no country should judge the performance of others on "so serious and intimate questions of national life."

Brazil, which cancelled a mutual defence agreement with the U.S. earlier this year over a U.S. government report criticizing its human rights practices, has been one of the most outspoken critics of Carter's human rights policies.

Silveira said the human rights question is often treated with "intensions which are distinct from the sincere desire of protecting the rights of man. The basic requisite for human rights will be lacking as long as the nuclear arms race goes on unchecked and a new world economic order remains elusive," he said.

His statement was challenged by Canadian Foreign Minister Donald Jamieson, but won qualified support from other diplomats, including Norwegian Foreign Minister Knut Frydenlund.

"It is surely consistent with the principle of non-interference to urge more complete and universal recognition of another freely assumed obligation — the promotion and encouragement of respect for human rights," Jamieson said.

Despite the coming into force of the international covenants on human rights, "the gap between the ideals of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the practice of states has widened noticeably," Jamieson said.

He also complained that the UN has not discharged its responsibilities in the human rights field "fully or effectively" and that its procedures for registering grievances are "too slow and



Pope Paul VI reading his speech in St. Peter's in the Vatican City as he celebrated his 88th birthday. (AP)

## Pope Paul turns 80

VATICAN CITY (UPI). — A frail Pope Paul VI marked his 88th birthday on Monday by unveiling a new bronze portal of St. Peter's Basilica and sending flowers to the graves of his parents.

The Pope unveiled the towering bronze portal, called "The Doors of Good and Evil," in a 24-minute evening ceremony in the entrance porch of the basilica facing St. Peter's square.

The doors, sculpted by Italian modernist Luciano Minguzzi, depict evil with scenes of slavery in America and a Nazi massacre of Italian hostages during World War II.

## Senate deals major blows to Carter's energy plan

WASHINGTON (AP). — The Senate dealt major new blows to President Jimmy Carter's energy programme on Monday, promising a counter-attack from the President against the oil industry and an appeal to Senators to stop dismantling his plan.

Accusing big oil of trying to jeopardize our energy future, Carter urged the Senate to reject "narrow special interest attacks on all segments" of his national energy programme.

The President spoke in the White House press room after the Senate finance committee, rejecting the heart of his energy plan, defeated his proposal to force conservation by taxing U.S. crude oil.

But even as Carter was speaking, the full Senate rejected in a new test vote his plan to keep federal controls on natural gas prices.

The 88-39 vote was the second time a majority of the Senate has gone on record against Carter's gas-pricing plan, despite the President's threat to veto any bill that deregulates natural gas prices.

The vote killed an effort by Senator Edward Kennedy and other Administration allies to revive the Carter plan. The move was engineered by Senate Republicans and oil-state Democrats.

Last week, the Senate voted by a six-vote margin to continue debating the industry proposal to lift price controls from natural gas as an alternative to Carter's proposal.

In his televised reaction to the votes, the President said: "The lobbying efforts of the oil and gas industry on deregulation (of natural gas prices) itself show how the special interests are trying to block enactment of the entire energy programme... By 1985, the industry proposal will cost the 'average American family that heats with natural gas an additional \$150 a year.'"

"It is time for the public interest to prevail over special interest lobbyists," Carter cited a growing deficit in the U.S.'s balance of foreign trade, "primarily because of excessive oil imports." The Commerce Department said earlier in the day the trade deficit grew to \$2.76 billion last month.

## Laker 'Skytrain' packed solid on N.Y.-London run

LONDON. — Freddie Laker returned from New York yesterday on Skytrain's maiden transatlantic circuit in a plane so full that the 55-year-old entrepreneur who battled six years for his cut-price shuttle had to sit with the crew on the flight deck.

"It's fabulous," he said. "All 345 seats on the plane were full. No-one was left behind."

Skytrain's inaugural London-New York flight on Monday took off with 50 vacant seats, and by mid-afternoon yesterday only 60 tickets had been sold in London for the next flight to New York. But the round flight did make a \$11,325 (£200,000) profit, Laker said.

Although Laker's six-year battle

## Madrid police captain killed

MADRID. — A Madrid police captain was killed by a shot fired yesterday, the second anniversary of the execution of five leftist guerrillas under the old Franco regime, police said.

Captain Florencio Hergueta was shot in the back outside his Madrid home by gunmen who escaped, police said. He died in a Madrid hospital.

Police blamed leftists seeking revenge for the execution of five anti-government guerrillas in 1975 during the dictatorship of the late Generalissimo Francisco Franco. Two of the executed men were Basque separatists.

The 1975 executions, two months before Franco's death, set off a storm of protest across Europe and several governments recalled their ambassadors.

Yesterday's attack came a few hours after bombs exploded in Spain's northern Basque region. Three banks were bombed during closing hours in Bilbao, but no one was injured, police said.

Opposition parties immediately condemned the murder of the police officer as an attempt to impede the consolidation of democracy in Spain.

The Communist Party said: "Only those who are motivated for Franco and who long for his brutal methods of government can benefit from such attacks."

The extreme right-wing party "Fuerza Nueva" (New Force) accused the government of Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez of encouraging violence with a policy of tolerance. (AP, Reuter)

## Rhodesia: 20 blacks killed 'on way to join guerrillas'

SALISBURY (UPI). — Twenty black civilians reportedly on their way to join guerrillas, were killed by Rhodesian troops and 11 others were captured in what the military command described yesterday as a battle between security forces and insurgents.

A communiqué said the guerrillas were recruiting to Mozambique. It said the incident occurred on Monday in an eastern Rhodesia war zone.

The Defence Ministry said one black soldier and three black civilians were injured yesterday morning by two explosions at Salisbury's Cranbourne barracks.

On Monday, the military command reported 18 war deaths, including 10 black guerrillas, four black civilians aiding guerrillas, and four black civilians "ambushed by terrorists."

Black nationalist leader, the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole meanwhile said that Prime Minister Ian Smith's new stand on majority rule suggested a "peaceful settlement" in the near future is "not out of reach."

Smith said on Sunday that black nationalist guerrillas could return to

civilian life as part of a set and become as eligible as any to join the army of the post-race Rhodesia.

He also indicated qualifications of universal suffrage, "he is ready to consider all some Rhodesian military" part of an accord.

Sithole said Smith's remarks were a "new realism" that is taking "this gives us a great deal of encouragement that we may try this problem through means."

Smith, asked if he had reached stage where he might agree man-one-vote, replied, "I said white minority interests independence from politics civil and armed services we to be guaranteed."

Official figures released day measure showed that whites fled Rhodesia in August in a single month since they broke from British rule.

More than 54,000 whites emigrated since the guerrillas broke out in late 1972.

## Supreme Soviet to approve new constitution next week

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet Constitutional Commission, headed by Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev, yesterday approved a draft of a new constitution, along with supplements and amendments offered during a four-month nationwide discussion.

The document will be submitted to the Supreme Soviet for approval on October 4.

The original 9,000-word draft of the constitution, which will replace the 1936 document promulgated under Stalin, was published on June 4. The "specifications, supplements and amendments" that were approved along with the original draft yesterday have not been made public.

Tass reported that Brezhnev told the commission that every suggestion from tens of thousands of citizens had been examined. "Most of the amendments have the nature of clarifications and supplements, of editing the text, but some suggest essential improvements," Brezhnev said.

Brezhnev said: "It can be said that on the whole the draft has been enriched by the collective experience of millions of Soviet people." However, observers did not expect any basic changes to be made in the original draft.

The new constitution, in the works since it was first suggested in 1959 by the late Nikita Khrushchev, is

designed as a monument to Brezhnev administration, as a symbol for adoption on the 60th anniversary of the Soviet Union.

The new document contains major changes in basic structure from the "Stalin" constitution intended to bring the nation toward full communism.

In one significant change draft provides for the new first deputy president, a may allow Brezhnev to hold post as president while all first deputy to carry out in work. Mikhail Podgorniy was president when the draft was approved.

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LONDON (UPI). — An ad group is moving into industry. The Welsh Development Agency said yesterday it is consortium of British, American businessmen and the assets of a Llanelli tin company from a liquidator.

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## Pan-Am China tour

NEW YORK (UPI). — Pan American World Airways has quietly arranged what trade sources say is the first American package tour to China.

A total of 120 persons have signed to fly to Hong Kong on December 1 and will enter China by train on December 4 for a 10-day visit to Canton, Hangchow, Shanghai, and Peking. Eight hundred persons went on the waiting list after the inaugural tour was booked.

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# Irishmen thrash weak N. Israel cricketers

By JACK LEON  
Post Sports Reporter

**KIBBUTZ YITZE'EL.** — A great all-round performance by Raymond Moan took Ulster's North-West of Ireland cricket team to an easy eight-wicket victory over Northern Israel here yesterday, in the opening game of their five-match tour.

The hosts, put in to bat by the current all-Ireland cricket champions, were dismissed for a meagre 84, with Moan claiming an astonishing six wickets for 8 runs with his deadly accurate off-breaks. Only a brave 22 by Gregg Bass, of Yitze'el, who went in at 38 for 6, saved the home side from complete rout.

Moan — one of some half-dozen full Irish internationals in the touring party — then scored an attractive 88, as the visitors went to 67 for 3.

Terrance Patton, with 15, shared in an opening stand of 46 with Moan, following which North-West's skipper Aubrey Finlay and vice-captain Ron Collins knocked off the remaining runs.

On the Irish side, apart from Bass, who hit one six, none of his team-mates reached double figures, the next highest scorer being

northern Israel's captain Mike Mohnblat with a patient nine. So tied down were the batsmen by the Irish bowlers — Moan finished with no less than eight maidens — that they took nearly 42 of their allotted 50 overs to reach their total of 64. (In contrast, the tourists scored their runs in only 23 overs.)

Apart from the northern Israel team — the host's side included players from the Tel Aviv and Kiryat Bialik cricket clubs.

North-west last month won the all-Ireland Guinness Cricket Cup for the third time since the event was inaugurated in 1968. The regional teams from Ulster and three from Eire take part in the annual competition. The 17-strong touring party — they are accompanied by two "fanatical" supporters — is equally divided between Protestants and Catholics, tour leaders Bob Logue and Jim Lindsay told *The Jerusalem Post* on Monday.

The powerful Irish XI next meet Israel on Thursday. They conclude their fortnight's stay as guests of the local cricket association with a "test" match against Israel at the same venue on October 7 and 8.

## Yankees only 'four away' from second title in row

**NEW YORK (AP).** — The New York Yankees reduced their magic number for winning the American League East race to four on Monday night while the Philadelphia Phillies left theirs at one in the National League East.

New York defeated the Cleveland Indians 4-2 and moved out to a 3½-game lead over the Boston Red Sox, whose game with the Toronto Blue Jays was rained out. Any combination of New York victory and Red Sox losses totalling four would give the Yankees their second straight AL East title.

New York scored two unearned runs in the first inning when Dave Kingman was hit by a pitch and Cliff Johnson walked with the bases loaded, and added two more singles in the fourth by Thurman Munson and in the seventh by Paul Blair.

The Phillies, who need only one victory to capture their division title,

lost to the Chicago Cubs 10-7. Home runs by Larry Bittner, Bobby Murcer and Greg Gross paced Chicago's 20-hit attack. Gary Maddox smacked his 18th homer of the season for the Phillies.

In the only other AL game, veteran Joe Coleman hurled a five-hitter as the Oakland A's defeated Kansas City 7-1, snapping the Royals' eight-game winning streak.

In the National League, Gary Carter slammed a three-run homer and a two-run single to lead the Montreal Expos to a 5-5 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals. Home runs by Willie McCovey, Gary Thomasson and Ed Halicki helped the San Francisco Giants crush the Los Angeles Dodgers 9-1. Jeff Burroughs clubbed his first home run of the season and Gary Matthews added two round-trippers to power the Atlanta Braves over the Houston Astros 12-10.

## Manchester U. Has cup ban lifted

**ZURICH (AP).** — Manchester United on Monday won its appeal against a Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) decision banning the English club from all further participation in this year's European Cup-Winners Cup.

The club was fined 30,000 Swiss francs (11,000,000) by UEFA for the rioting of its fans at a recent match

against the French club, St. Etienne.

It was also ordered to play its return first round "home" match against the French club St. Etienne at Manchester. The game, originally scheduled for today, has been postponed.

Manchester United has until 16:00 GMT on Thursday to select the alternative ground.

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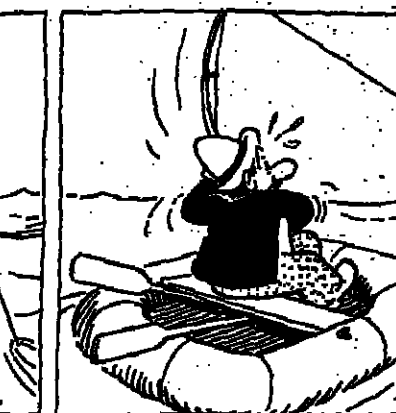
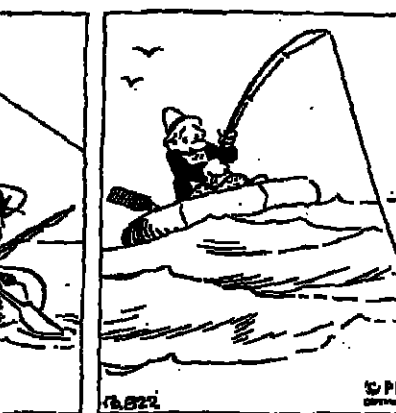
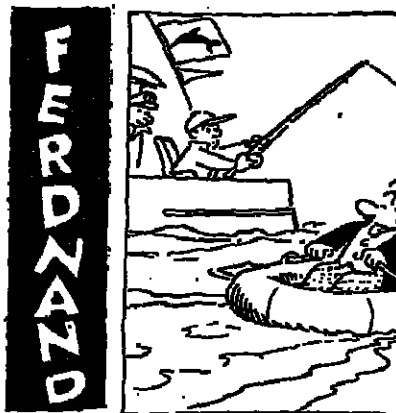
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## BUSINESS &amp; FINANCE

## World Bank struggles for funds

LONDON. — The world has adjusted to the oil crisis surprisingly well. That is the message of this year's World Bank report, which takes a guardedly optimistic view of the future. At the same time the report reveals a struggle to expand its lending. The International Development Association (IDA), which makes grants to poorer countries, has practically run out of funds. And its rich donors, reports Genial News Service, are playing hard to get.

No annual document from the international development industry is more important than the World Bank annual report. The 1977 edition is out and it is far more than a summary of the activities of the world's biggest aid organization.

This year the report has added significance because Robert McNamara, a powerhouse behind bank strategy for 10 years, has just left his term of office extended for a further five years, from April 1, 1978. The dire predictions which the bank put about at the time of the oil crisis have been conveniently forgotten. Or possibly the rich have simply learned to live with inflation and the poor with their growing debt. The middle and higher income developing countries, which do not have oil, have done surprisingly well. By taking tough action to balance budgets and payments and borrowing heavily abroad, they have sustained growth rates well above industrial economies' average of only 1.9 per cent in the 1970s, and

even above the developing countries' average of three per cent.

But the Bank points out that most of the 800m. of the world's poorest people live in countries where growth remains so slow that poverty cannot be alleviated unless much greater efforts are made.

The net outstanding debt of 84 developing countries with no oil reserves rose by 26 per cent in 1974 and a further 2 per cent in 1975, to a staggering total of \$120,000m. If committed loans in the pipeline are also included the total goes up to an even more alarming \$175,912m.

The criminal balance of payments deficits of these countries are also up from about \$35,000m. in 1974 to \$42,000m. in 1975. But the Bank points out that the figures for 1976 will probably show an improvement to a deficit of \$31,000m. as some countries benefit from recent higher commodity prices.

But some countries which have not been rescued by a sustained commodity boom are still reeling. Examples are the world's producers of sugar and copper. Some 75 per cent of the debt of all Sub-Saharan Africa was owed by only four countries — Ivory Coast, Sudan, Zaïre and Zambia. And as the Bank points out, Zaïre "has encountered severe difficulties in servicing external debt." In other words, it was twice pulled back from bankruptcy by its private and governmental creditors.

In 1976 the current account position of every country in South Asia

deteriorated, a situation which the Bank thinks will be reversed when the 1978 figures are available. India's current account went into surplus in 1976 and most other countries' deficits were reduced.

The need for increased assistance to the world's poor, wherever they live, remains as great as ever. But the record is not good. Official development assistance only rose by one per cent in cash terms, so progress was negative when allowance is made for inflation.

Norway joined Sweden and the Netherlands in achieving the target of contributing 0.7 per cent of its Gross National Product to development assistance, but the contribution of OPEC countries actually fell by \$30m. from its 1975 peak.

And so to the Bank itself. At one stage Bank lending was bounding upwards by over 50 per cent a year. Phenomenal growth in 1973 and 1974 has since slowed, though the Bank group has committed a staggering \$7,278m. this year. Bank and IDA lending to the poorest countries has actually fallen for the first time ever, dropping from \$2.5b. to \$2.1b. in 1977.

The situation at IDA is critical. In the words of one Bank official "IDA has reached the stage in which it has no funds at all." This is almost entirely due to opposition in the U.S. Congress, which has in the past provided 30 per cent of IDA funds.

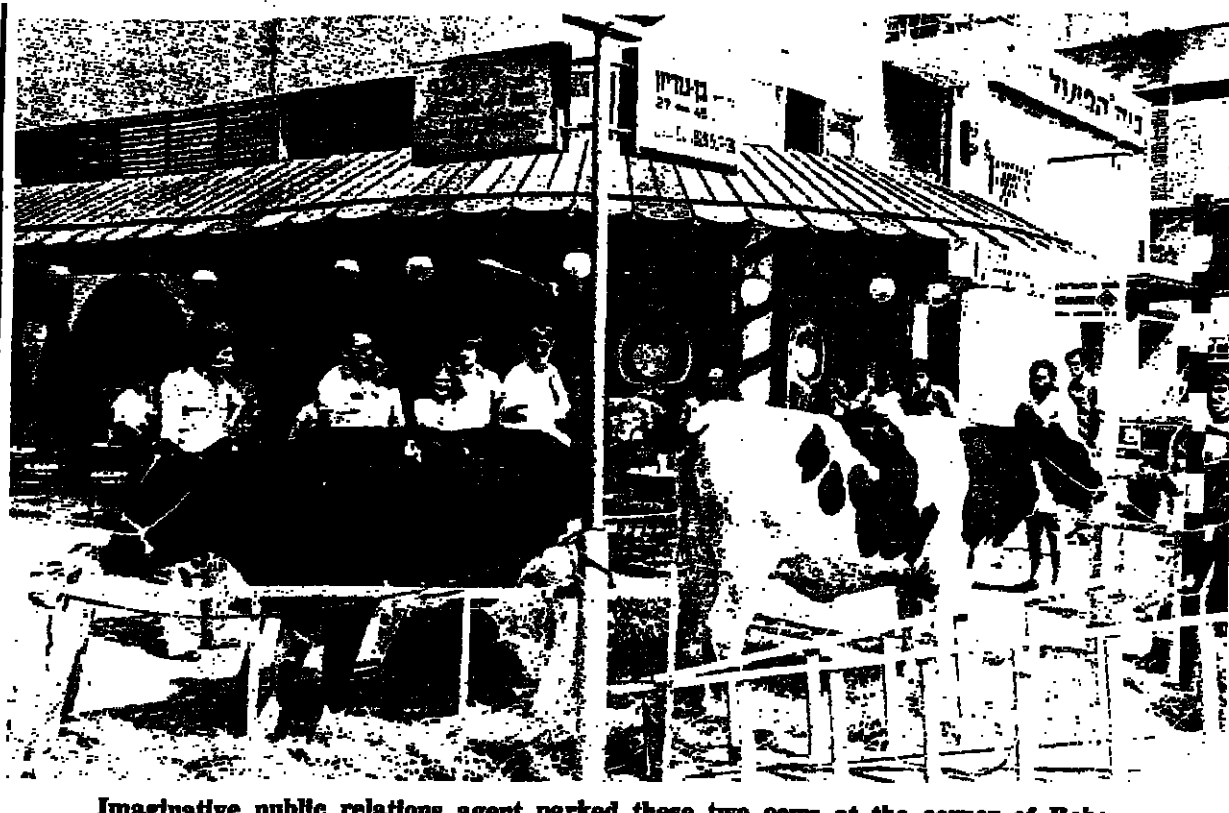
Congressmen are increasingly reluctant to give a blank cheque to an organization over which they have no control. They do not want to give assistance to certain countries which IDA helps, like Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia or to others, like the citrus producers, which compete with American growers.

Meanwhile, Swiss voters decided by referendum not to give any money to IDA, while the West Germans have said that their contribution is dependent on the Americans making theirs.

The World Bank itself, which raises its funds from the money markets of the world, is not in such an acute position. It was able to borrow \$400m. more last year. It has also arranged for a selective capital increase bringing its authorized capital up to \$41b., which will allow it to lend at least \$5.5b. into the 1980s.

But the Bank itself usually loans its money at commercial rates of interest, and this chiefly benefits the richer developing countries. But the poorest countries are waiting on the IDA replenishment, because IDA makes almost all its assistance available as interest-free loans or on very soft terms. Many of the world's poorest, particularly those in Africa or on the Indian sub-continent, can only afford to borrow on this basis.

So this is the real challenge of the Bank in the year ahead. Somehow it must persuade its rich donors that IDA needs their support. (Oms)



Imaginative public relations agent parked these two cows at the corner of Rehov Dizengoff and Ben-Gurion in Tel Aviv for the opening of a dairy restaurant.

## Zim cooperates with French line

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
HAIFA. — The big French shipping company CERN is currently negotiating with Zim for a new agreement covering the Haifa-Marseille cargo route. The Jerusalem Post learned this week.

CERN, which started operations on the line about 20 years ago, first with a combined passenger-cargo vessel and later with a regularly scheduled freighter, has worked with Zim under a pool arrangement for the past seven years.

The Zim spokesman told The Jerusalem Post that cargo volume on the route had declined and no longer warranted the operation of a freighter by each of the companies. They agree that the service could be improved by the introduction of a fast roll-on roll-off freighter, which would not only be faster but be able to handle all the cargo.

Zim now expects delivery of such a ship. It will replace the older freighters the two companies now run on the line. The French line will continue its passenger cruises to Israel.

## MARKET BRIEFS

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The building industry is undergoing a recessionary period, this in spite of reports of a pick-up in residential housing sales. Ministry of Housing and Construction estimates place the total starts for 1977 at no more than 4.2m. square metres. Housing completions are expected to drop to 5.8m. sq.m. from 6.8m. sq.m. a year ago.

The 30,000 anticipated building starts will comprise one third for public housing and two thirds for the private market. A further ten per cent drop in building starts is anticipated for 1978. To reduce sharp cyclical fluctuations a level of 5.5m. sq.m. of new starts a year is required.

The General Index of Share Prices of shares traded on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange achieved a new high last week. The slightly higher level than that reached in mid-August was not maintained, as prices eased at the end of the week. Trading of IL65m. a session was somewhat down over the preceding week. Overall advancing shares surpassed declining ones by a ratio of almost 2:1.

The new Bank Hapoalim financing issue successfully debuted on the TASE. The bonds closed out the week at a premium of 46.5 per cent over the issue price. The share part of the issue stood close to a three per cent premium over the issue price.

The new Israpro rights issue did not fare as well. The rights opened at 450 per cent, but closed out the week at 400 per cent.

The 3.9 per cent rise in the Consumer Price Index for August was not fully reflected in the price of index-linked bonds. Short-term bonds reacted to the rise but the longer-term issues are still showing yields in the order of three to four per cent.

The Swiss franc continues to be the strongest currency on international currency markets and thus reflects both economic and political stability in Switzerland. At the end of the

week the Swiss currency stood at 2.361 to the U.S. dollar. As concern increased with the Lebanese situation, the price of gold passed the \$150 an ounce figure. This was the highest price level achieved since April.

The New York Stock Exchange continued to trade lower and with the Dow Jones average in the 830's it hit the lowest level in two years. In the meantime statistics provided by National Consultants indicate that the annual activity on the TASE, as of the end of 1976, and as a percentage of total market capitalization, was the second in the world after Japan. It is possible that the TASE will this year become, relatively, the most active stock exchange in the world.

Electra (Israel) Ltd. has sent the TASE a draft prospectus for a rights issue of IL1.7m. of 15 per cent convertible bonds and IL3.9m. options. The package will consist of units of IL150 of the convertible and IL50 of the options.

The Tourist Industry Development Corp. has published its annual report for the period ending December 31, 1976. The company specializes in financing tourist activities in Israel by way of providing bank loans, primarily for the development and construction of hotels. Net earnings rose by some 12.5 per cent to IL9.9m.

Zim Israel Navigation Co. has issued its 1976 annual report. The company accounts for 50 per cent of all sea transport of goods to and from the country. The 61 ships owned by Zim represented a gross tonnage of 2.2m. tons. Total tonnage transported during the year stood at 6.8m. tons.

Net earnings, including about IL14m. from the liquidator of the International Credit Bank, were at IL29m., compared with IL77.5m. in the preceding year.

United Mizrahi Bank has just published, in summary form, its consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 1977. Total assets grew by 22 per cent to IL5.8b. Deposits grew by 28 per cent to IL4.05b.

## Agricultural know-how to Venezuela

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Agridev, the recently formed company that exports Israeli know-how, this week signed a letter of intent with Inco, the Venezuelan National Institute for Educational Cooperation.

The letter concerns a number of technical aid programmes, and includes sending a team of experts to develop a model agricultural farm to

demonstrate modern farming methods in the region of Mesa Guanipe. The farm will be developed on the campus of the Polytechnical Institute of this region.

Also covered by the agreement is a rural development programme for ten settlements under the agrarian reform policy.

The agreement also involves mobile training units which will move by truck from village to village. The training of 20 Venezuelan farmers in Israel is also envisaged.

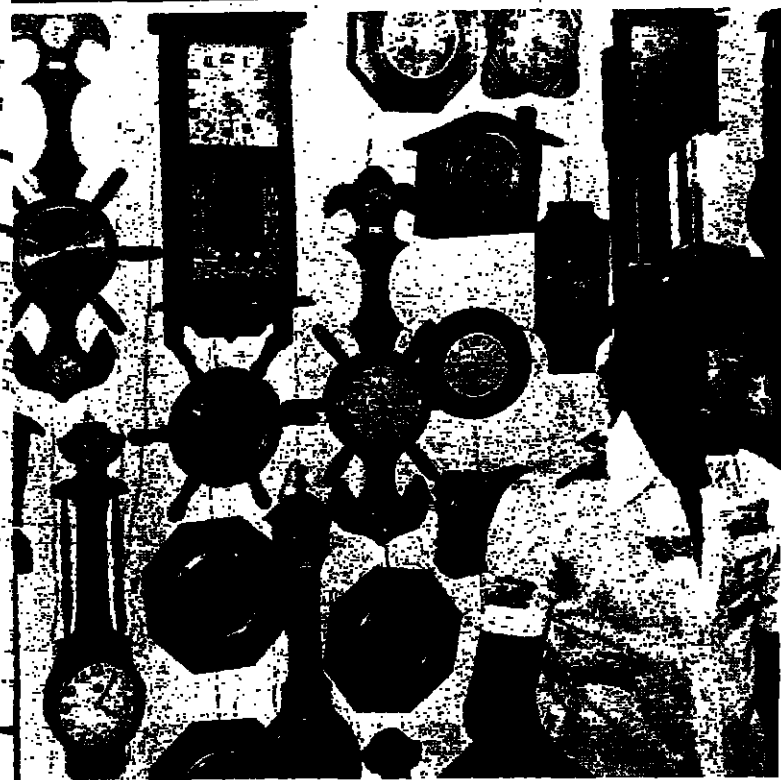
## Unemployed up in Western Europe

BRUSSELS (AP). — Unemployment in Western Europe moved up in August to 5.83m., not far from the 5.87m. record set in January, according to the Common Market Statistical Office.

The increase of 86,000 was attributed largely to young people who finished school and have failed to find a job.

For the EEC nine countries as a group unemployment was at 5.5 per cent, ranging from 3.3 per cent in West Germany to 8.5 per cent in Belgium and 9.5 per cent in Ireland. The percentages are smaller than those generally used in the U.S. because Europeans count only registered unemployed.

SNOW. — Moscow on Saturday chalked up its first snowfall of the season and had a brief flurry of mixed snow and hail yesterday.



All clocks in a variety of shapes offered for sale at the Jerusalem Binyamin Ha'eoma. (Yitzhak Esharar)

## Why London stock shares slid down again

LONDON. — Reality returned to the don Stock Exchange last week as the bullish pressures that have held British share prices up to an time record level evaporated. A massive bout of profit-taking, as factors that had created a mood of euphoria were a week of economic news culminating in record monthly trade surplus — the first for five years — and the last monthly drop in Britain's rate of inflation, now down to over 16 per cent.

Monday morning dawned with a solemn warning from the setted Government brokers, W. & Co. that "the City is accused of concentrating far much on the short term and for having sentiments that are from one extreme to another. Change in sentiment is a classic sign of what can occur."

A major reason for caution in a paper improvement in domestic performance is that industrial production and employment have been falling and is well below the level of January 1974, the whole of industry was on an upswing three-day week due to the 5 of a coal miners' strike.

Other factor is that despite cuts in government capital expenditure, it has depressed industrial activity still further because of its s on the construction sector, investment involvement in

and industry continues to sucking in substantial sums of money and money. The industry is now becoming usingly shrill about Government involvement and interference, the Confederation of British Industry arguing that more than a top management's time is now taken up in paperwork or

relations with the "bureaucratic" ranges from price control, which requires and gets a vast of information about costs, margins and marketing practice, a vast administrative jungle, department of Social Security, controls both State and pension schemes and the welfare service, to the tment of Industry, which

decided if and where a company wishing to expand can do so. So the public sector currently accounts for about 60 per cent of the British economy, stifling many opportunities for growth. And as it has grown — despite pledges to the contrary to the International Monetary Fund — so have the numbers employed in the public service, an extra 50,000 in the past four years.

The trend, of course, is not only confined to Britain, and may explain why long-term investment sentiment is weak on the other side of the Atlantic as well. Since 1960 the number of employees working for the U.S. Federal Government has doubled, compared with a 12 per cent rise in numbers of those working in manufacturing.

A top Madison Avenue man, John Elliott, Jr., chairman of Ogilvy and Mather, came to London this week to warn that this "invidious growth of bureaucracy" in the Western world meant a "clearly evolving trend toward authoritarianism."

According to Elliott, between 1970 and 1976 the number of major economic regulatory agencies went up 25 per cent, their expenditure by 158 per cent. And in 1976 business

faced more than 10,000 new Government regulations.

Elliott also cast doubts upon President Carter's declared attempts to out the bureaucracy. "All during his campaign he said he was going to cut the White House staff of 530. One third cut would mean 357. But his staff has gone up to 608."

Investors have become increasingly aware of the fact that the mounting debt of Government are a heavy drain on profits, and that stock values reflect this.

In Britain, even when the famous Financial Times 30-share index of the major industrial companies had bounced up to its record level, those who had perhaps invested their capital 15 years ago would have seen a third of its value eaten away by inflation. Share prices would have to rise by 50 per cent, taking the index to about 750, for their money to have the same value as it once had.

It is this fact of life about inflation that has led the optimists to predict another massive upward surge and a bull market right through until 1979. But the cautious look to the increasingly interventionist nature of governments, and the brake on profits that this may cause. (Oms)

## Vardi director-general of Energy Ministry

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
The Cabinet Sunday appointed Yosef Vardi, until now director of the Investment Authority in New York, as director-general of the new Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy.

Vardi, 35, was director-general of the former Development Ministry (now incorporated in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry). He is completing his doctoral studies at the Technion in operations research.

The Cabinet also decided to transfer the Geological Institute from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry to the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy. The Geological Institute was in the Development Ministry until the latter was disbanded under the previous government.

## Tourism increased 27% in three months

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tourism figures for the June, July and August period show a 27 per cent rise over last year, the Central Bureau of Statistics reports.

It said 394,000 foreign visitors entered the country during the three-month period, compared with 323,000 in the same three summer months a year ago.

Tourism statistics for the first eight months of the year show a total of 674,000 — well ahead of the 587,000 tourists who arrived between January and September 1976.

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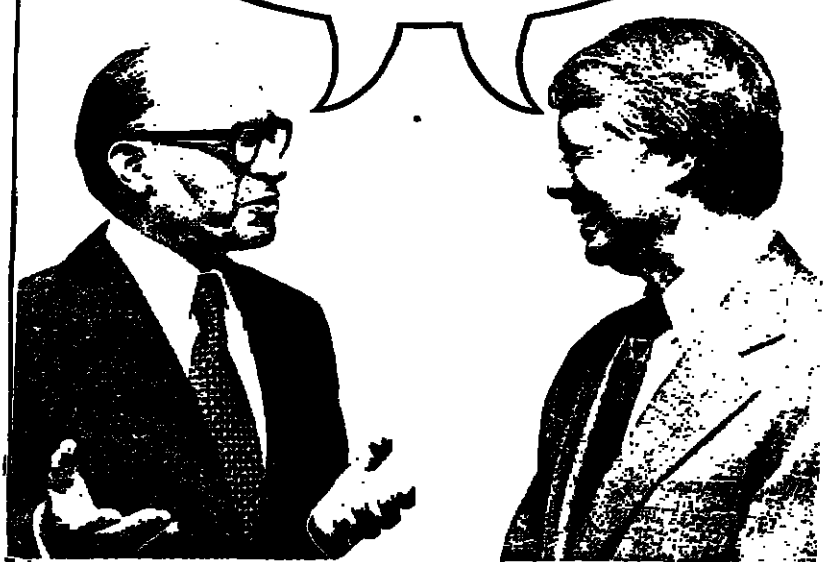
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## False or Foolish?

ON SUNDAY the Cabinet released an official statement declaring that Israel accepts President Carter's conditions on the renewal of the Geneva Conference.

Cabinet spokesman Arye Naor articulated in detail what those conditions ostensibly were:

"A. A united delegation representing all the Arab states participating in the Geneva Conference will take part in the opening ceremonial session.

B. Arabs of Eretz Israel who are not known members of the 'PLO' may participate in this united delegation. Palestinian Arabs will not participate in the opening session as a separate body, but as part of the Jordanian delegation.

C. No negotiation whatsoever will be conducted with the united delegation.

D. After the opening session the united delegation will split up into delegations representing the various states in order to conduct negotiations on the matters appertaining to each of these states separately."

The Government's decision, submitted to Mr. Carter, was seen as paving the way for Geneva. It was welcomed in many quarters, including this newspaper.

But some 24 hours after the Cabinet's announcement, U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said in New York that Israel had attached its own conditions to the President's proposal and those conditions "do not accurately reflect our views." This was followed by Arab denunciations of transparent Israeli manoeuvring. Suddenly, after making it appear that Geneva was on, Israel seemed, had done the reverse.

Now it may well be that the conditions stipulated by Mr. Begin and the Government — whatever they are — are justified in terms of Israel's interests. But what is totally unjustifiable is the blatant incompetence, or worse, dissembling of which the Government appears guilty.

Rare indeed is it that a Cabinet declares it accepts a proposal of another head of state, enunciates publicly what the terms of the proposal are, only to have it turn out that what it has "accepted" is something quite different from what was proposed.

Precisely because the misrepresentation is so plain, it is difficult to believe that the Government could have knowingly and deliberately perpetrated it — thereby scuttling its credibility at home and abroad.

If it was not deliberate, it was a case of bungling of the worst kind. But whatever it was, the Government owes the public a serious explanation.

## Tender cease fire

THE CEASE-FIRE on the Lebanese border that has been hammered out under the aegis of the U.S. between Israel, Lebanon, Syria and the Palestinian terrorist organizations is a tender two days old in an area of the world known for its high infant mortality.

It is also typically vague in keeping with the nebulous character of agreements of this sort, witness the Intra-Arab Cairo agreement of 1968 and the Sifta Agreement of this summer, whose purpose was to regulate terrorist activity in Lebanon. Both were ignored before the signatures on them were dry.

The present agreement has been rejected by the more extreme Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine but even the PLO mainstream spokesmen were claiming yesterday that the agreement commits them only to holding their fire in the areas of the beleaguered Christian enclaves but not to withdrawing 10-15 kms. from the Israeli border, as Israel assumes.

The interests of Israel are quite clear. For Israel it is essential that the area of southern Lebanon between the Litani River and the Israeli border not be permitted to serve as a staging area for terrorist incursions into Israel territory or for artillery and rocket attacks against Israeli settlements. For most of the past two years northern Israel has enjoyed an unaccustomed quiet, ironically, due to the total involvement of the terrorist forces further up north in the Lebanese civil war.

Following the end of that war and as a result of the Syrian military occupation of Lebanon, the terrorist forces began filtering back to southern Lebanon specifically because Israel would not countenance a Syrian military presence so close to her northern border.

The main sufferers from the renewed terrorist presence in southern Lebanon have been the inhabitants of the Christian village enclaves along the border. During the course of the civil war Israel has become the Christians' staunchest ally. This commitment has been reaffirmed by the Begin government, which in recent weeks has lent it additional credibility by sending in Israeli patrols, in addition to logistic and artillery support.

This military presence has now been withdrawn as part of the cease-fire agreement. For the Syrians and the PLO, the psychological barrier which seemed to have prevented direct Israeli involvement in Lebanon in the past, has been broken. The purpose of this presence was to prevent a bloodbath against the Christian villages such as those perpetrated further north during the course of the civil war.

But the precedent has been set and Israel has shown how far it is prepared to go to protect its Christian allies. Israel has reiterated its determination not to occupy southern Lebanon although on purely objective military grounds it has good cause to do so as long as the occupying Syrian army continues to threaten Israel from Lebanese territory.

The alternative to such an Israeli military presence is observance of the letter and spirit of the cease-fire. The test will be the speed with which the Lebanese government — which is a direct party to the agreement — establishes its militia and deploys it along the Israeli border, and the rate at which it succeeds in removing the terrorist groups beyond the Litani.

The first noises heard from the terrorist spokesmen following the signing of the cease-fire do not bode well for such hopes.

# DEMOGRAPHIC TRAP

Failure to part with the administered territories, argues Jonathan Frankel, will reduce the country's Jewish population by the year 2000 to nearly, if not actually, a minority status — and lead to unacceptable political results.

THE DEBATE between the annexationists and anti-annexationists that broke out in the very first year following the Six Day War, it was generally recognized that the demographic issue was of crucial importance.

In its initial statement issued in December 1967, the Peace and Security Movement (then still in the process of formation) argued that to annex the territories would force Israel to abandon either its Jewish or its democratic character. There were simply not enough Jews in Israel, ran this thesis, to cope with an additional million Arabs — an initial figure which could be expected to grow fast, constituting an ever higher percentage of the total population.

In reply, the Land of Israel Movement maintained that in this case no clear demographic projections were possible; that the past was no guide to the future; that the Six Day War might well constitute a turning point; that Jewish immigration and Arab emigration could both be expected to rise sharply.

This was ten years ago. Judging by the election results, by statements emanating from the new Government, and by the timid reactions of the two main opposition parties, one could be forgiven the assumption that the experience of this past decade has corroborated the annexationist prognosis.

Shmuel Katz keeps telling us that we have to accustom ourselves to living with a large Arab minority (a minority, he it noted, not a majority). Aris Sharon has gone on television to unveil a settlement plan based on the premise that there will be some six to eight million Jews in Israel by the end of the century. The Prime Minister himself promised us that his election victory would support Sharon's settlement strategy.

However, an examination of what has been happening since 1967, and indeed since 1948, reveals that the demographic tides are running against us more powerfully than even most of the anti-annexationists anticipated in 1967. Let us consider some of the basic facts.

In 1949 there were an estimated 180,000 "non-Jews" (essentially Moslem Arabs, Christian Arabs and Druse) within the State of Israel. By 1975 within the green line (excluding East Jerusalem) there were about 450,000 of them.

The yearly increase throughout this period was on average about 4 per cent — one of the highest growth rates in the world. On the basis of this trend, demographers have projected that in another 15 years the Arab population within the bound-

aries of Israel proper (including East Jerusalem) will be over one million.

Immediately after the Six Day War a reverse trend was indeed discernible in the occupied territories — the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Here, large-scale emigration brought about an absolute drop in the population. At the start of 1969 there were actually about 25,000 less people living in these areas than immediately after the 1967 war.

But this proved to be a temporary phenomenon. Since 1969, there has been a steady growth in the population of the occupied territories bringing the total up from some 940,000 to over 1,100,000 in 1975. The rate of growth has remained lower than among the Arab population of Israel. But in recent years it has rarely dropped below 2 per cent per annum, while in the Gaza Strip and Northern Sinai it is often over 3 per cent per annum.

It seems reasonable to assume that with the rise in living standards, improved medical services and a sharp drop in mortality the pattern hitherto observable in Israel is about to repeat itself in the administered territories. A population explosion can be expected to precede an eventual levelling down of the growth rate sometime in the next century.

Of course, the Jewish population of Israel is also growing fast in comparison with the norm in the Western world. But our birth rate on average has been dropping, because even though the European Jews have been having more children since the late 1960s, the Oriental Jews have been having far less. In 1974, the total Jewish fertility rate in Israel was 3.2, that of the non-Jews generally 7.1, and that of the Moslem Arabs 8.3.

Thus, without an extraordinary rate of immigration the Jewish proportion of the population can be expected to drop ever faster in the coming decades. But the natural sources of mass immigration are now all but exhausted.

The Holocaust largely destroyed the reservoir of potential immigration on which the Zionist movement had always counted. Even if a majority of the Jews in South Africa and Argentina eventually arrive here, it would not radically change the existing trends.

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to be able to take control of the country by democratic means. And sooner or later they should be expected to do so.

Second, to prevent just such an outcome, a dictatorship — military or one-party — might be established. Such a development would be the exact opposite of the first alternative — military rule would be extended from the territories to Israel itself. And all, Arab and Jews alike, would be equal in their deprivation of rights (although some, of course, would be more equal than others).

Third, the existing system could be prolonged indefinitely, leaving a democracy undisturbed in Israel and military control in the territories tampered by municipal or local self-government — except that we would then have to control not one-and-a-half million but close to four million Arabs.

Finally, at some crisis point, there could be a mass expulsion of the Arab population (in whole or in part).

Of these alternatives, the first is obviously suicidal, even though it represents the logical consequence of the favourite policy of Herut. The other three policies would prove repulsive to a large section of the Jewish people in Israel and in the Diaspora alike. Moreover, they would all involve the self-exclusion of Israel from the community of democratic nations.

WHAT CASE, then, can possibly be made for a permanent retention of the territories?

There is, of course, the security argument. But the Ailon plan was designed specifically to solve both the security and the demographic problems. For his part, Matti Peled (dismissing from Ailon, correctly in my view) has argued for many years that demilitarisation of evacuated territory (combined with early warning systems and a variety of additional guarantees) offers the best chance of a settlement without jeopardising national defence. But to seek security by incorporating territories into Israel, as Sharon wants, is absurd. It means in effect the abolition of the Jewish State from within in the name of defending it from without.

When all else fails, one can of course fall back on miracles. Zionism is in some ways a religion, always gambled on the impossible. This, however, is a profoundly misleading and dangerous argument. Weismann and Ben-Gurion often faced harsh odds, but they sought to minimise not to maximise those odds. It is rational for a drowning man to clutch at straws. It is madness, on the other hand, to permit a sound ship to drift out of control into a sea of icebergs.

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## READERS' LETTERS

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN HAIFA



Traffic jam in Haifa.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — We refer to Ya'acov Ardon's article, "At the mercy of Egged" (August 25) and Ya'acov Friedler's article, "Ordered by bus" (September 1) on the subject of Egged bus services in Haifa.

In 1975, Egged added 30 buses to its Haifa fleet and in 1977 plans to add another 32 new buses within the next few months. All the thanks Egged gets for its constant efforts to improve service to the public are these two critical articles.

How can a serious newspaper like The Jerusalem Post publish articles to the effect that Egged did not add a

single bus to its Haifa fleet during the past two years without even checking the facts? Since this article was published in your paper, it is doubtful if facts and proofs will erase the negative impression created by these articles or offset the harm they caused.

To our great regret, physical conditions in Haifa prevent us from providing proper service to the public. Even if we had added many more buses to our Haifa fleet, they would encounter the same traffic obstructions which hamper the hundreds of buses which serve Haifa's residents.

A new bus costs today approximately \$1.1m. and this is a tremendous investment in comparison with bus fares, the cheapest that exist, even including government subsidies. Nevertheless, Egged

made this tremendous investment and is ready to invest more in order to improve transport. However, this investment will be useless as long as buses are hampered by daily traffic jams, particularly at peak hours.

The situation is further complicated by the obstruction of main traffic arteries, such as Herzl Street, where traffic has been impeded for several months by construction work; the Municipality had agreed to this work on condition that an underground passage be built, which was not done. This situation will last for another two years at least.

Another example is Yehiel Street, from which bus No. 4 leaves the market: it is cluttered with parking cases and notwithstanding our drivers' many complaints, this situation recurs constantly.

Egged, like its passengers, wants buses to leave on time in order to avoid complications. Every minute causes Egged serious damage financially and in its public relations. But until somebody invents a way for buses to fly over traffic centres congested with commercial and private vehicles parked in violation of the law, avoid cars and vehicles parked at bus stops and soar over traffic jams, the drivers' can do everything in their power to manoeuvre through the narrow lanes at their disposal, but Egged's drivers and the travelling public will still suffer.

Who is responsible for this situation? What is the real problem of public transport which your two correspondents ignored? Why did they not demand that traffic lanes be reserved for public transport, as is done in many countries? Why did they not urge that priority be given to public transport, thus increasing the speed of buses from their present 3-12 km. per hour to double that speed and more? This would also result in less crowding on buses, since every bus would be able to make more trips in the same time.

If this plan were implemented, many private car owners would undoubtedly leave their vehicles at home and use public transport. This would be good for the national economy, as it would save fuel and foreign exchange. It would prevent many traffic accidents and reduce dangerous pollution resulting from petrol fumes which are more poisonous than the exhaust fumes of diesel buses. Reserving traffic lanes for public transport would not involve large investments. It could be implemented on the basis of the existing infrastructure by adjusting traffic lights and signs. But this requires a courageous decision on the part of the city council to have jurisdiction over road traffic.

Your two correspondents certainly wanted to contribute towards the improvement of public transport. By ignoring the real problem and directing their criticism only at Egged, they contributed nothing to the solution of the problem and added to the confusion, also causing a deterioration in relations between public transport workers and the public they serve.

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Ya'acov Ardon comments: In mid-August, the Haifa Municipality's Transport Committee checked Egged's performance in the city against its own time-table and found it disregarded. It was Deputy Mayor Yosef Husein who pointed out that no buses had been added to the services in Haifa and that no replacements were provided even for those withdrawn for repair. If new buses were added, how many old buses were removed, or what was the net increase?

True, the streets are intolerably clogged and traffic slowed down. Thousands have bought private cars to escape the nightmare experience of trips in overcrowded buses before and after work. True also that Egged does not alone bear the blame for the congestion in our city streets. But it shares it. When has Egged's indignation risen to the point of calling a bus strike? Only when it believed it was not getting enough subsidies from the Government. For that it struck, for that it blocked the city streets during a peak hour. It never stood up like that for the interests of its passengers.

For two decades Egged has taken advantage of indifferent or incompetent transport ministers who did little or nothing to make public bus services efficient, to enforce regulations and prosecute violations.

Egged should not talk about waste of petrol by private car owners. Will

the cooperative suspend its service between Haifa and Tel Aviv because of that? It is a waste of petrol to have inefficient trains which need only 10% of the fuel buses need, and have an unequal record of safety free of accidents to passengers.

As to relations between cooperative and the public, could not be worse, the cooperative and skill of man drivers notwithstanding.

Yehoshua Friedman comments: The best proof of the improvements Mr. Rosenberg for Egged in Haifa can be to the long lines of disgruntled passengers, and the incredible conditions once they manage to get into the buses.

Why does Mr. Rosenberg in Haifa and drive along the Haifa coast (for instance) watch hundreds of passengers standing on the way, with single bus along the whole line which is often quite free of other traffic?

If the Egged management & they are unable to carry out duties under their concession, enjoin them to run a public bus the best thing they could do to return their concession to others is to do a better job, all, what can one expect of management of a bus company which is elected by the drivers because of its traffic expertise for its claim that it can get the best fares for the drivers?

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From the first, in June 19 should have been obvious that coupled territories (above all heavily populated) would have revert at some stage to Arab. The principle should have been clear, leaving the price (in terms of security) to be fixed as high as possible. The failure to recognize this then produced our ambivalent attitude to Jordan. It was recognized as a natural peace partner, by offering humiliating peace terms.

In 1967, we were waiting for a telephone call from Hussein, after he expelled the Fatah from the West Bank, his pro for a confederal link with the Bank were rejected unceremoniously by the Golda Meir government. In 1974 Yitzhak Rabin's back from launching a "disengagement" talks with Jordan over the proposed Jericho corridor. He laid the ground for it and for the rise of the PLO at the expense of Jordan. Nevertheless, transfer of most of the West and the Gaza Strip to Jordan reinforcement of the tactic against the Palestinian extreme represents the most open policy open to us today — as since 1967.

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